

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS AND JUSTICE  
December 18, 2007**

**MINUTE NO. 1  
9:10 a.m. - Chamber**

1. **Present:** Mr. Kirsch in the Chair and Members Bradshaw, Brkich, Higgins, Schreimer and Wotherspoon.

**Other Members:**

Mr. Duncan, Mr. Trew, Mr. Weekes, Mr. Yates

2. The committee clerk presided over the election of a Chair. Ms. Higgins nominated Mr. Kirsch for the position. There being no further nominations, it was moved by Ms. Higgins:

That Delbert Kirsch be elected to preside as Chair of the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

3. The Chair presided over the election of a Deputy Chair. Mr. Brkich nominated Ms. Higgins for the position. There being no further nominations, it was moved by Mr. Brkich:

That Deb Higgins be elected to preside as Deputy Chair of the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

4. The committee then proceeded to appoint a steering committee. It was moved by Mr. Brkich:

That a steering committee be appointed to establish an agenda and priority of business for subsequent meetings, and that the membership be comprised of the Chair and Deputy Chair; and further,

That the steering committee shall meet from time to time as directed by the committee or at the call of the Chair; that the presence of all members of the steering committee is necessary to constitute a meeting; and that substitutions from the membership of the Standing Committee Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice be permitted on the steering committee.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

5. The committee then proceeded to consider the broadcasting of its proceedings. It was moved by Mr. Brkich:

That, pursuant to Rule 133(2), the committee authorizes the broadcast of its public proceedings.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

6. The Chair advised the committee that, pursuant to Rule 146(1), the Supplementary Estimates for the following ministries and agencies were deemed referred to the committee on December 13, 2007:

Vote 25	First Nations and Métis Relations
Vote 3	Justice and Attorney General
Vote 30	Municipal Affairs
Vote 75	Northern Affairs
Vote 80	Office of the Provincial Secretary
Vote 27	Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport

7. The committee considered the Supplementary Estimates for the Ministry of First Nations and Métis Relations.

The following First Nations and Métis Relations Minister and official appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. June Draude, Minister  
Ron Crowe, Deputy Minister

8. On motion of Mr. Brkich:

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2008 the following sum:

For First Nations and Métis Relations .....\$13,223,000

9. The committee considered the Supplementary Estimates for the Ministry of Northern Affairs.

The following Northern Affairs Minister and official appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. June Draude, Minister  
Ron Crowe, Deputy Minister

10. On motion of Mr. Brkich:

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2008 the following sum:

For Northern Affairs .....\$4,500,000

11. The committee considered the Supplementary Estimates for the Ministry of Justice and Attorney General.

The following Justice and Attorney General Minister and official appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. Don Morgan, Minister  
Doug Moen, Deputy Minister

12. On motion of Mr. Brkich:

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2008 the following sum:

For Justice and Attorney General .....\$2,512,000

13. The committee considered the Supplementary Estimates for the Ministry of Municipal Affairs.

The following Municipal Affairs Minister and official appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. Bill Hutchinson, Minister  
Terry Lang, Deputy Minister

14. On motion of Mr. Brkich:

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2008 the following sum:

For Municipal Affairs .....\$206,000

15. The committee considered the Supplementary Estimates for the Ministry of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sports.

The following Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sports Minister and official appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. Christine Tell, Minister  
Van Isman, Deputy Minister

16. On motion of Mr. Brkich:

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2008 the following sum:

For Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport .....\$13,989,000

17. The committee considered the Supplementary Estimates for the Office of the Provincial Secretary.

The following Office of the Provincial Secretary Minister and official appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. Wayne Elhard, Minister

Rick Mantey, Deputy Minister

18. On motion of Mr. Brkich:

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2008 the following sum:

For Office of Provincial Secretary.....\$200,000

19. The committee considered its First Report of the 26<sup>th</sup> Legislature. It was then moved by Mr. Brkich:

That the First Report of the Standing Committee on the Intergovernmental Affairs and Justice be adopted and presented to the Assembly.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

20. It was moved by Mr. Brkich:

That this committee do now adjourn.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

21. The committee adjourned at 9:30 a.m. to the call of the Chair.

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Margaret A. Woods  
Committee Clerk

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Delbert Kirsch  
Committee Chair